

**BIDDER CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER  
RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS – LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (name of person), duly authorized to act on behalf  
of \_\_\_\_\_ ("Bidder") acknowledge and certify, to the best of  
my knowledge and belief, that:

1. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the Bidder knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, King County ("County") may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
2. The Bidder certifies, that neither it nor its "principals" (as defined at 49 C.F.R. § 29.105) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
3. If the Bidder is unable to certify to the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this certification.
4. The Bidder shall provide immediate written notice to the County if at any time the Bidder learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
5. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "persons," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549 [49 CFR Part 29]. You may contact the County for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
6. The Bidder agrees by submitting its proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized in writing by the County.
7. The Bidder further agrees by submitting its proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transaction", without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions with subcontractors and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List issued by U.S. General Service Administration.
9. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

10. Except for transactions authorized under Paragraph 6 of this certification, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to all remedies available to the Federal Government, the County may pursue available remedies including suspension and/or debarment.

Contract #: \_\_\_\_\_

Contract Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Company: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Authorized Official                      Date

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Name and Title of Signer